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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to Rule 37 C.F.R. §1.51(b), §1.56, §1.97, and §1.98, this Information Disclosure Statement is submitted in the above-identified patent application. A listing of documents to be published on the face of any patent granted from this application is submitted herewith on Form PTO-1449 with a copy thereof.

CONCISE STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY (Non-English Language Documents Only)

The Japanese reference cited in the Information Disclosure Statement generally pertains to a vending machine incorporating a particular product removal lid arrangement. An abstract in English is provided to aid the Examiner in considering the potential relevancy of the cited document.

CERTIFICATION

This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted within three months of the filing date of and/or prior to the issuance of a first Office Action in the above-identified U.S. patent application.

The Examiner is requested to acknowledge consideration of the information provided in this paper in accordance with prescribed procedures.

Respectfully-submitted

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